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Offered by:

SEN. GAFFEY, 13th Dist.

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY FOR
CONTAMINATED PROPERTY."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 14-154a of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2003, and*
5 *applicable to rental agreements entered into, on or after said date*):

6 Any person renting or leasing to another any motor vehicle owned
7 by him shall be liable for any damage to any person or property
8 caused by the operation of such motor vehicle while so rented or
9 leased, to the same extent as the operator would have been liable if he
10 had also been the owner. The provisions of this section shall not apply
11 to any renter of noncommercial private motor vehicles that rents such
12 motor vehicles under a contract if, at the time damages to a rented
13 motor vehicle are incurred, the rented motor vehicle is insured by the
14 person renting such motor vehicle to another for bodily injury liability

15 in amounts of not less than one hundred thousand dollars per person
16 and three hundred thousand dollars per occurrence, except that any
17 person who knowingly rents a noncommercial motor vehicle to an
18 individual who does not provide proof of financial responsibility shall
19 be liable for any damage to any person or property caused by the
20 operation of such motor vehicle while so rented, to the same extent as
21 the operator would have been liable if the operator had also been the
22 owner."